

The Gent. Hunter has arrested Genl J J Stephens
for not being willing to fight with the blacks -
New Bedford Mo 27/63
- Poor Andrew turned all round
to Maggie in his speech last eve

Dear Deborah,

Agreeably to your request I shall send this to Weymouth not knowing whether you have returned from Staten Island or not - I hope that Maria has entirely recovered ere this - Poor Sarah Ann has had another very severe attack for the past week she has been as near death's door as mortal can without passing the threshold Fanny has been there nearly every day and night - She may live the Doctor thinks a week or so longer, and she may pass away at any time - She had a very comfortable night last night - She is very much reduced will not probably weigh fifty pounds Her death will be but

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the mere vanishing of a shadow
into the Spirit World—Everything
that is done for her, she thinks
is all right—Fanny is fortu-
nately very well—Frank & Thorry
are both at Home kept out
of school on account of severe
colds—last night they both
coughed nearly all the time
In addition to Fanny's family
Cares, the most of the burden
on account of Sarah Ann's
sickness comes on her—Both
Mary & Kate have been here,
but have returned—Virginia
has the Rheumatism & cannot
watch & both Sophy & Gilbert's
Wife have such bad coughs
that they disturb her—Daniel
Mary has watched twice with
Fanny & last night Ruth watched
with Aunt Hannah—They cannot
find a nurse any where;
Daniel & Fanny have sole

all round the County & City
I have not as yet been able to
get one - Rebecca is so nervous
Fanny says, that she would
not be fit for any thing if she were
here - After reflecting more
on the matter about Joey's going
into the Carriage Factory, I conclu-
ded not to let him go - there were
many pros & cons, but the cons
were the most weighty - The
Black Man is gradually being
restored to the Rights God origi-
nally intended for him - There
have been several public mee-
ting in behalf of their enlistment
Last week there was a Review
in Liberty Hall - Wells Brown,
Remond Mr Lockwood, overseer
of contributions at Fort Monroe
& Col Maggi all made fine
speeches - Maggi was with
Garibaldi in Montevideo
& there were three thousand

Blacks in Garibaldi's Army - he
had also fought with them in
Africa - Both He & Garibaldi
give them the credit of being
good soldiers - this had a fine
effect - I hope Maggi will be
made a Brigadier Genl in command
of them sent south - would not he
be Attilla the Second - He says
he fears no one but God - I think
he would storm the gates of Hell
if he had a chance - Sigel thinks
every thing of him - he is in Sigel's Corp
Genl Wool & Staff & Gen Andrew
& Staff & others were here yesterday
I was at the reception - Col Knapp
introduced me to Gen Andrews & the
Gen introduced me to Genl Wool
I had two conversations with Genl Wool
& several with Andrew - one with the
latter nearly 20 minutes all alone
I became acquainted with his Military
Secy Col Browne of A. G. Browne's nephew
of John W. Brown - I like him much -
Last evening there was a public meeting
Genl Wool, Gen Barry of New Hampshire
Col Frank Howe & Gen Andrew ^{made} address
Gen Andrew spoke kindly & encouragingly
to the colored people - there are only
132 on the enrolled list of colored & over
50 have enlisted - which is fast rate -
good bye love to all yours Joseph Ricketts

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